

**Warning: Some details in the following
Statement of Facts relating to
the murder of Holly Jones are very graphic.**

On May 12 of last year, 10-year-old Holly Jones, a hard-working, bright, Grade 5 student at St. Luigi Catholic School, was abducted, confined, sexually assaulted and killed. On Thursday, June 17, 2004, inside the Superior Court of Justice at 361 University Ave., Michael Briere, 35, a software developer who lived within blocks of Holly's home in the Bloor W. and Dundas Sts. area, pleaded guilty to first-degree murder. It is the first time in seven years that an accused killer has waived his right to a trial and pleaded guilty to the most serious criminal offence in this country.

Crown attorney Paul Culver and assistant crown Hank Goody read a 61-page Statement of Facts to the court, detailing the hours before Holly's disappearance, the police investigation, and Briere's personal account of how and why he killed the child. The full text starts below. "As the court will hear," Culver read, "he abducted, confined, sexually assaulted and killed an innocent child. Nothing worse can happen. In our view, the Crown has an obligation to provide this court and the public with a fair and complete account of this offence."

R. v. Michael Briere

Statement of Facts

in Support of a Plea of Guilty

to First Degree Murder

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(Mr. Culver)

I would like to provide the Court with an outline of how the Crown intends to proceed this morning, following Mr. Briere's guilty plea.

The statement of facts upon which the Crown relies in support of the guilty plea will be read to the Court by Mr. Goody. Prior to Mr. Goody providing the Court with the facts, as the Crown Attorney for Central Toronto, I believe it is necessary for me to explain why the Crown is proceeding as it is.

Mr. Briere will be pleading guilty to First Degree Murder, as charged. I can advise the Court, and the public, that the Crown would never have accepted a plea to, nor would it have proceeded on, any other lesser charge in this case.

Since the terrible day when Holly Jones went missing, her family and the community have been made aware of details that are unspeakable. Her abduction, and the horrible way in which her body was discovered, have been widely broadcast, and are well known.

If there were any way to conduct these proceedings without causing further grief to Holly's family, and at the same time fulfill our obligation to the Court and the public, we would do so.

I do not believe that that can take place. The guilty plea, the facts of the case, the Court's sentence, are all necessary steps in our criminal justice system.

We have endeavoured to be somewhat selective in choosing the facts from what was a lengthy and complex investigation, but there can be no doubt about the sadness and emotional trauma that today's proceedings will cause Holly's mother and father and family.

One option for the Crown, when the accused pleads guilty, is to provide a brief factual description that provides a foundation for the elements of the offence charged. The Crown does not believe that this can be done in this case. Mr. Briere will be pleading guilty to first degree murder. It is the most serious criminal offence in our country. As the Court will hear, he abducted, confined, sexually assaulted and killed an innocent child. Nothing worse can happen. The murder of Holly Jones profoundly effected our community.

In our view, the Crown has an obligation to provide this Court and the public with a fair and complete account of this offence. The resolution of the case must be done with candour and openness. In fact, as the Court is aware, future tribunals, Boards, and, potentially, a Justice acting under section 745 of the Criminal Code, may rely on what is in the transcript of today's proceeding.

We have attempted, in every way, to limit, if that is possible at all, the further torment that these details will cause to Holly's family. It has been a difficult task, in preparing for this court appearance and guilty plea today, to maintain respect for Holly's life, and her family's dignity, and at the same time fully inform this Court and the public of the details of her murder.

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In May of last year, 2003, Holly Jones was 10 years old, born September 14, 1992, to Maria Jones and George Stonehouse.

She was a hard working, bright, Grade 5 student at St. Luigi Catholic School - a happy, outgoing, and caring young girl, who made friends easily, and had a passion for music.

She took guitar and singing lessons - liked to dance - and was a great fan of Brittany Spears.

see: photo of Holly Jones
Tab A

Holly Jones lived with her parents, in a house at 242 Sterling Road.

Sterling Road runs north from Holly's residence - to meet Bloor Street West at a "T" intersection, to the east of Dundas Street.

see: sketch showing 242 Sterling Road - and vicinity
Tab B

On Monday, May 12, 2003, after her school day ended, Holly Jones played, in her home, with a friend - a Grade 4 student at St. Luigi.

Eventually, it came time for the friend to return to her own residence, for dinner. She lived on Perth Avenue, situated on the segment of that street which runs northbound from Bloor Street West, commencing on the opposite side from, and diagonally to the left of, Sterling Road.

The most direct route between the addresses of the two girls took about 5-7 minutes to walk, depending on the status of the traffic light at Bloor Street.

Because she was only 9 years old, Holly wanted to walk her friend home, as it was still daylight, and it was a short distance along Perth Avenue, which was where her school, and the local Community Centre, were located, and where other of her friends lived. It was the one street in the neighbourhood that Holly was permitted to travel on her own.

Maria Jones and George Stonehouse had previously spent time 'street proofing' Holly. She knew not to stray beyond the immediate area of her home - not to go anywhere with a stranger - and not to enter a vehicle, unless it was being operated by someone who was on a specific list of her parents' friends.

Holly and her friend arrived at Perth Avenue, where they were met by the mother of her friend.

Again, as it was still daylight, Holly left on her own.

She was last seen walking southbound on Perth Avenue, toward Bloor Street West, and back towards her home, a short distance away.

Her mother, who had been shopping, arrived back home at about 8:00 p.m., to find that Holly was not there.

Concerned, because Holly was never allowed to be out alone at night, but thinking that Holly might have returned, and then gone out with her father, she called George Stonehouse on his cell phone.

George was visiting a neighbour, across the street from 242 Sterling Road. He had not, in fact, seen Holly, since earlier in the evening, when he observed her leave the house, with her friend, and walk northbound toward Bloor Street.

Maria Jones indicated that she would begin to make phone calls, in an attempt to locate Holly.

At approximately 8:30 p.m., George received another phone call from his wife, who frantically told him that she still could not find Holly. George returned home, and he and Maria then commenced an unsuccessful search for their daughter along Perth Avenue.

In the end result, at 9:14 p.m., the Toronto Police Service received a call from Maria, reporting Holly's disappearance. A missing person investigation was commenced, and uniform officers from 11 Division attended the residence at 242 Sterling Road, to take an occurrence report.

Due to Holly's young age, and the length of time since she had last been seen, the police launched an intensive search for Holly, in the immediate vicinity of her home, and throughout the neighbourhood.

The media and the general public were called upon to assist in locating the missing child,

Copies of a photograph of Holly were distributed, her description was broadcast through the Toronto Police Communications Centre to alert all officers of the incident, and a command post was set up in the community to coordinate the search effort.

What was not known by police, and her family, was that Holly had already been taken forcibly from the street, to Michael Briere's nearby apartment, sexually assaulted, and murdered, all within the time frame of less than an hour.

(Mr. Goody)

By early the following morning, Tuesday, May 13th, with Holly still missing, Det. Sgt. David Perry, then a member of the Sex Crimes Unit, took command of the investigation, and requested that an AMBER ALERT be initiated.

At approximately 8:25 that morning, the Marine Unit of the Toronto Police Service received a telephone call from a resident of Wards Island, who reported that, while walking his dog, he had discovered a bag, which he had ascertained contained what appeared to be a human torso.

Arrangement was made with the caller to wait at the Island Ferry Docks, for the arrival of officers, whom he would then direct to the scene.

Shortly thereafter, Marine Unit Constables Anthony Kozdas and Charles Lucifora, operating a Marine Unit vessel, attended Wards Island, and met the witness.

The gentleman advised, in greater detail, that, at approximately 8:15 that morning, while walking his dog along the north shore of the Island, he had discovered a black bag, on the shore line, at the water's edge, on the west side of the break wall, near the Eastern Gap.

Upon retrieving the bag from the water, and opening it, he discovered what he perceived to be a human torso. The remains had been placed inside a clear plastic Future Shop bag, which had, in turn, been placed into a larger green garbage bag.

At approximately 8:53 am, Constables Kozdas and Lucifora were led to the area of the north east corner of the Island, just to the west of where the break wall divides Toronto Harbour and the east channel.

On the beach at that location, Constable Kozdas was directed to, and observed the contents of, a black gym style bag, which bore a logo, consisting of the word 'Lynx'.

Inside this bag, the constable was able to distinguish the remains of a human torso, positioned face down, with the back area exposed by a tear in the plastic bag.

Constable Kozdas also noted that, before he entered it, there were no visible footprints within the area of the beach in which the bag was located, other than those attributable to the man who had found it.

Subsequently, Detectives from 52 Division Investigative Office arrived at the scene, and more closely examined the contents of the bag.

The torso could be determined to be that of a young, Caucasian female. It was not decomposed, and had been severely cut. Hairs and other fibrous materials were visible on the shoulders and buttocks.

Also seen inside the plastic bag was a yellow 'J' cloth. A second similar item was found on the ground, beside the bag.

The plastic bags containing the torso were placed onto a stretcher, and removed to the Toronto Marine Unit, and, thereafter, to the Coroner's Building.

The discovery on Wards Island initiated what ultimately became the intensive involvement of the Toronto Police Service's Homicide Squad, working in conjunction with the Sex Crimes Unit, in the investigation of the disappearance and death of Holly Jones.

The large scale Task Force which came to conduct this intensive investigation was

- led by senior officers, including Det. Sgt. Al Comeau,
Det. Sgt. Dave Perry, Det. Sgt. Ken Taylor, and Det. Mark
Saunders
- managed by Sex Crimes' Deputy Staff Inspector Bruce
Smollet and Homicide's Deputy Inspector Brian Raybould
- and assisted by numerous other experienced investigators
and field officers

At the outset, given that only parts of a body had been discovered, and that they had apparently been deposited into the water at a location other than where they had been found, an extensive land search of the Toronto shoreline was organized by the police.

On Tuesday, May 13, at approximately 2:00 pm., 14 Division Constables Vishal Uppal and Linda Falasca, assigned to assist in the search for Holly, were walking the shoreline at Aquatic Drive, west of Ontario Place, across from the large windmill, at the west end of the C.N.E. grounds.

At that time and place, Constable Uppal observed a black bag in the water, floating handles up, and tucked under an overhang inside the break wall

The bag was retrieved from the water onto a Marine Unit vessel which was summoned to the scene, transported to the Marine Unit morgue, and subsequently removed to the Coroner's Building.

The bag was a piece of travel luggage, with a pull out handle, a zippered top and side pocket, wheels, and a 'Cherokee' label on the side.

When opened, it was found to contain a one piece 5 pound dumb bell, and a knotted green plastic garbage bag, inside of which were two others.

One of these inner bags contained 4 blood soaked 'J' cloths, the top of a sponge mop, and an intact right arm and hand. In the second, was a similarly intact left arm and hand, and a severed human head.

At approximately 2:15 that afternoon, Tuesday, May 13, Forensic Pathologist Dr. Toby Rose commenced the post mortem examination of the four body parts of Holly Jones, which had been contained in the 'Lynx' and the 'Cherokee' bags.

Holly's legs and feet have never been recovered.

The several other persons present at the autopsy included Det. Sgt. Al Comeau; the Forensic Identification Officers assigned to the case, Det. Robert Murdock and Det. Const. Frank Ottewell; and scientist Alexandra Welsh, of the Centre of Forensic Sciences' Biology Section.

In the end result of her examination, Dr. Rose concluded her major ante mortem pathological findings to be

- a. a ligature mark on the neck
 - b. multiple petechiae, on the skin of the face and neck,
on the eyelids, on the under surface of the scalp, and on
the outer surface of the skull
- and
- c. bruising of the strap muscles of the neck, underlying,
and adjacent to, the ligature mark

all of which were consistent with, and led Dr. Rose to
conclude that the cause of Holly's death was, ligature
strangulation.

Dr. Rose also documented the post mortem decapitation and dismemberment of the head, torso, right and left arms, and legs (which were absent).

Additionally, Dr. Rose noted that there was sign of injury to the pelvic region of Holly's torso, consistent with sexual assault, including abrasions to the vagina, and laceration in the area of the anal cavity.

Experts at the Centre of Forensic Sciences, including a Toolmark Examiner, and a Forensic Anthropologist, subsequently examined the body parts, and concluded that the instrument which had been used to sever the head and limbs appeared to have been a manual (ie. non powered) hand saw, with a straight blade.

In accordance with usual procedure in such matters, during and after the post mortem examination, numerous bodily samples and extraneous materials were collected by Pathology Staff and members of the Forensic Identification Service.

These exhibit items, which included oral, vaginal and rectal smears; fingernail cuttings; and samples of hair and fibres detected on the body parts, including the buttocks and the pubic and anal cavity areas, were thereafter submitted into the Centre of Forensic Sciences for testing and analysis.

Ultimately, CFS scientists were able to generate findings from certain of these items, which proved to be of crucial significance to the outcome of the Holly Task Force's homicide investigation.

No semen was found to be present on the swabs taken from Holly's vaginal and anal areas.

However, CFS Biology Examiner Alexandra Welsh was able to develop a DNA profile, attributable to an unknown male donor, within the fingernail clippings collected from Holly's right hand.

In addition, Ms Welsh's colleague in the Biology Section, Johanne Almer, was able to determine that the fibrous materials collected from Holly's body parts included course green fibres, of the type which would be expected to originate in inexpensive carpeting, or in a bath mat.

In the days following the confirmation of Holly's murder, as the Task Force's efforts to identify her killer proceeded and intensified, it was decided to initiate an investigative canvas, the goal of which was to obtain a consensual DNA sample from every male, in every residence along the route which it was believed Holly had been walking, immediately before her disappearance.

To that end, a questionnaire was developed, setting out specific questions to be asked by canvassing officers.

Additionally, canvassers were instructed to request consent to view the interiors of the premises at which they attended.

In that regard, they were provided with photographs of items which were believed to be of potential significance to the investigation, including a handle which could be associated to the mop head found in the 'Cherokee' bag, cleaning supplies, and carpeting comprised of green fibres.

It was the intention of the Task Force to conduct surveillance of the movements of any subject who declined to provide a DNA sample, until a suitable discarded sample could be obtained, for comparison to the male DNA profile which the CFS had generated from Holly's fingernail cuttings.

On Wednesday, May 21, plainclothes Detective Constables Jamie Clark and Andrew Teixiera, assisting the Task Force from the Toronto Drug Squad, were detailed to canvas several addresses in the area of Holly Jones' residence on Sterling Road.

They were provided with copies of the pre-typed questionnaire, and consent DNA request forms, and asked to compile a list of all residents in each dwelling, and to seek voluntary DNA samples from each male whom they encountered.

While carrying out this assignment, the officers attended a residence situated at 1450 Bloor Street West. This premises is on the north side of the street, the second building to the east of the intersection with Perth Avenue, and diagonally opposite the point at which Sterling Road meets Bloor Street in a 'T'.

As can be seen from the sketches, assuming that, when she left 222 Perth Avenue, to return to her own residence, Holly Jones continued in the direction in which she was last seen walking, southbound toward Bloor Street, she would have passed by the entrance into a lane way, which runs east from the sidewalk on Perth Avenue, and directly behind the premises at 1450 Bloor Street.

The house at 1450 Bloor Street West contains four separate apartments. The occupant of the main floor unit was the accused, Michael Briere.

During their attendance on May 21, Detective Constables Clark and Teixeira spoke with Mr. Briere, asking him the questions which were on the form they had been given.

Mr. Briere advised that

- he did not know Holly Jones, nor any members of her family
- Holly Jones had never been in his apartment
- he did not own a motor vehicle
- he had never owned any 'Lynx', nor 'Cherokee' brand luggage or bags
- during the evening of Monday, May 12, he had been in his residence, working on his computer
- he had had no visitors that evening, and had not seen anyone suspicious in the area
- he did not know who was responsible for the disappearance and murder of Holly Jones.

When the officers produced the DNA consent form, and requested that Mr. Briere voluntarily provide a saliva sample, he declined to do so. His response to the request, as recorded by Constable Clark, was:

**"If I can explain why - no, I feel that it puts
the onus on us to prove we're not guilty - that
Big Brother is watching us."**

Mr. Briere did, however, permit the officers to view the interior of his apartment.

Amongst the observations noted by the officers were

- a large bottle of cleaning fluid, under the kitchen sink
- two bath mats, comprised of green coloured fibrous material, in the bathroom
- an empty bucket, in the bathroom
- green coloured carpeting, throughout the bedroom
- a trunk containing cast iron weights, in the bedroom
- two cast iron dumbbells, beside the bed.

When asked how he cleaned his floors, Mr. Briere responded:

"I don't use a mop".

Mr. Briere indicated that he was 35 years old, born October 1, 1967, and that he was employed as a software developer, for a laboratory services company.

As the officers concluded their interview with him, and made ready to leave the apartment, Mr. Briere said to them:

"I hope you'll understand, even though I didn't give DNA, I hope that you get the guy responsible".

Before departing the premises, the officers also spoke with the other three residents in the building, each of whom voluntarily provided the requested DNA sample.

When the results of the canvas at 1450 Bloor Street, and the observations of the officers, became known to senior members of the Task Force, Mr. Briere immediately came to be considered a person of interest to the investigation.

Within the Detective Command of the Toronto Police Service is a unit known as Mobile Support Services, responsible for providing physical and photographic surveillance in support of criminal investigations.

Once Mr. Briere had come to the specific attention of the Task Force investigators, the assistance of the Mobile Support Services' Mobile Surveillance Unit was enlisted to monitor his movements.

As of May 26, observations of Mr. Briere were conducted on a daily basis, with the particular goal of collecting a discarded bodily sample, which could be used to generate his DNA profile.

The next direct contact which the Task Force had with Mr. Briere occurred on May 30th.

On that day, senior Task Force members Det. Sgts. Al Comeau and Dave Perry attended 1450 Bloor Street West. While they were outside the premises, conversing with the landlord about his tenants, Mr. Briere exited the front door of the building.

When the landlord greeted him by name, the officers took the opportunity to introduce themselves to Mr. Briere, as investigators of the Holly Jones murder, and to ask if they could speak with him privately.

Mr. Briere agreed, and invited Det. Sgts. Comeau and Perry into his main floor apartment. They were joined there by two other Task Force members who arrived on scene, Det. Joanne Verbeek, and Det. Const. Paul Worden, the investigation's CFS Exhibits manager.

Once there, the following conversation took place:

- i. Det. Sgt. Perry asked Mr. Briere if he recalled having spoken with officers, during the previous week, about the death of Holly Jones.
- ii. Mr. Briere confirmed that he did.
- iii. Det. Sgt. Perry indicated his understanding that Mr. Briere had declined to voluntarily provide a sample of his DNA.
- iv. Mr. Briere confirmed that this was correct.
- v. Det. Sgt. Perry asked Mr. Briere if he could explain the process of obtaining a consensual DNA sample, to be sure that it had been properly explained to him.

Det. Sgt. Perry then reviewed the contents of the consent form which had been issued to the canvassers.

More particularly, Mr. Briere was advised that any DNA sample which he agreed to provide would be used only in connection with the current investigation, and that any resulting DNA profile that was generated would not be maintained in any DNA data bank.

Mr. Briere was further assured that the law required the destruction of the analyzed sample at the conclusion of the current investigation, unless it yielded a profile which was a match to one of significance to the case.

Det. Sgt. Perry also told Mr. Briere that Det. Const. Worden was in charge of DNA submissions; that all consent samples submitted for analysis were being identified only by number; and that the CFS would thus not know that he was donor of the sample, unless it matched to a DNA sample connected with the case.

- vi. Mr. Briere continued to decline to provide a consensual sample of his DNA.
- vii. Det. Sgt. Perry acknowledged that it was Mr. Briere's right to refuse to provide a sample, but asked if Mr. Briere minded telling him the reason for the refusal.

- viii. Mr. Briere responded that he did not trust the police, and that he had worked for large corporations, and he knew 'how things went'.

Nevertheless, Mr. Briere remained otherwise cooperative, and gave the officers permission to view the inside of the apartment.

Det. Sgt. Perry noticed several toys on the fireplace mantel, and he asked Mr. Briere if any children visited his apartment

Mr. Briere responded that no children had ever been there, and that the toys were his.

Det. Sgt. Perry then asked Mr. Briere directly if Holly Jones had ever been in the apartment.

Mr. Briere responded: 'of course not'.

Det. Sgt. Perry asked Mr. Briere where he had been on the night that Holly Jones was murdered.

Mr. Briere indicated that he had been home, alone, working on his computer.

Finally, Det. Sgt. Perry asked Mr. Briere if he would agree to come to Headquarters for an interview.

Mr. Briere responded: 'an interview, sure - no problem'.

It was agreed that they could call Mr. Briere the following week, to arrange an appointment for the interview.

As they were leaving the apartment, Det. Sgt. Perry asked Mr. Briere where he thought the investigators should be looking for evidence relating to the case.

Mr. Briere responded that they should be looking by the Go railway tracks, and by the stairs near the GO station, which he described as 'a perfect place to ambush somebody'.

Thereafter, the officers exited Mr. Briere's apartment, and returned to their project room, where Detectives Verbeek and Worden advised of certain observations they had made inside the apartment, while Mr. Briere was being spoken to:

- in the bathroom - a shower stall, with no curtain; no bath mats; and green coloured towels
- in the kitchen, on a chair, a new beige shower curtain, and a beige bath mat; and, under the sink, liquid cleaning solution
- in the bedroom - a green towel, on a laundry hamper; numerous free weights, in a trunk and under the bed; and green plastic garbage bags, on the floor of the closet.

On Wednesday, June 4/03, Mr. Briere called Det. Sgt. Perry, and it was agreed that Mr. Briere attend 12 Division, to be interviewed, on the morning of Friday, June 6.

Accordingly, on Friday June 6, at 10:55 am., Mr. Briere arrived at 12 Division, where he was met by Det. Sgts. Comeau and Perry.

He was shown into the Superintendent's office, where the officers proceeded to conduct a video recorded interview with him, which commenced at 11:21 am., and concluded at 12:36 pm.

During the interview, Mr. Briere indicated that:

- he was home alone, working on his computer, during the evening of May 12
- he heard about the disappearance of Holly Jones on the news
- he did not recognize Holly's picture, she had never been in his residence, he had never seen her before, and he had nothing to do with her murder
- he had recently changed his shower curtain from one that was dark green to one that was yellow
- he had also changed his bath mats from ones that were black to ones that were beige

Mr. Briere again declined to provide a consensual sample of his DNA. When asked if he understood the process of DNA analysis, Mr. Briere responded:

'I don't have the scientific understanding of what happens, but bottom line is that I'm pretty sure that the science works - and you know, when they compare samples, they can tell if it's the same person or not, which is for me, the scary part - that's the thing. It's too much information'.

At the conclusion of the interview, the following exchange occurred between the officers and Mr. Briere:

Q. Have you told us everything that you need to tell us for today. Is everything you told us the absolute truth

A. Yes

Q. So we don't have any concerns about Michael, as far as being involved with this horrible murder

A. No, I don't think so

Q. So we can move on in our work, and try to find the killer

A. Yes

Q. And when we find the killer, what do you think should happen to a person like this, somebody who would commit such a heinous crime

A. Well, I mean, you arrest him and you put him away

Q. What do you think would be an appropriate punishment for a person who murdered Holly

A. Like I have just mentioned. You arrest him, you put him away, you put him away for good

At approximately 10:55 am., when Mr. Briere arrived for this interview, Mobile Support Services had commenced observations of 12 Division.

Surveillance of Mr. Briere was begun at 12:39 pm., when he was seen exiting the building.

Less than an hour later, Mr. Briere was observed walking south on Keele Street at Annette Avenue, while holding a can of Pepsi Cola. A few minutes thereafter, Mr. Briere was seen to dispose of the drinking can in a recycling container, adjacent to the front of the Keele Street subway station.

When Mr. Briere continued to walk on to Bloor Street West, a surveillance team member seized two Pepsi cans from the recycling bin.

These items were subsequently turned over to Task Force investigators.

Later that same afternoon, Friday June 6, Mobile Support Services recommenced its surveillance of Mr. Briere, when he was seen exiting the premises at 1450 Bloor Street West.

Mr. Briere was under observation as he met with a female, known to the Task Force to be his girlfriend, at the entrance to the Dufferin subway station, and then as the two entered into the Dufferin Mall.

Subsequently, Mr. Briere and the female went into a nearby Kentucky Fried Chicken outlet, where they were watched as they purchased, consumed, and then disposed of, food and drink.

The garbage was seized by a member of the surveillance team, and submitted to the Task Force. It included two Pepsi Cola drinking cups and straws, which it was believed had been used by Mr. Briere and his female friend.

The discarded items collected by Mobile Support Services were delivered to the Centre of Forensic Sciences for testing and analysis.

On June 18th and 19th, Biologist Alexandra Welsh reported the following results to the Task Force:

1. Blood had been detected within the fingernail cuttings from the right and left hands of Holly Jones.
2. A DNA profile had been determined from a swab of the bloodstained right hand fingernail clippings, which was a mixture of DNA from at least two individuals.
3. Assuming a dual source, one being a contribution from Holly Jones, the DNA profile from the minor source had been determined.
4. This minor DNA profile came from a male, and was suitable for comparison purposes.

5. Swabs from the two discarded Pepsi cans, and portions of the straws from the discarded Pepsi drinking cups, had been tested, through DNA analysis, to determine whether a profile suitable for comparison could be generated, and whether the donor could be excluded as the source of the male DNA profile, detected under the bloodstained right hand fingernail cuttings from Holly Jones.

6. A partial male DNA profile was detected on the swab from one of the discarded Pepsi cans.

This male DNA donor could not be excluded as the source of the male DNA profile from the swab of the bloodstained right hand fingernail cuttings from Holly Jones.

The probability that a randomly selected individual, unrelated to the male donor from the Pepsi can, would coincidentally share the observed DNA profile was estimated to be 1 in 220 thousand.

7. The portion of straw from one of the discarded Pepsi drinking cups was tested, to determine if the donor could be excluded as being the same person who was the source of the male DNA profile from the discarded Pepsi can.

8. The male DNA profile from the discarded Pepsi can matched the DNA profile from the portion of straw from the discarded Pepsi drinking cup.

The probability that a randomly selected individual, unrelated to the male donor from the Pepsi can, would coincidentally share the observed DNA profile of the male donor from the Pepsi cup straw was estimated to be 1 in 3.3 billion.

9. A partial male DNA profile had been detected on the swab from the second discarded Pepsi can, which had been recovered from the garbage bin.

That male DNA donor was excluded as the source of the male DNA profile from the swab of the bloodstained right hand fingernail cuttings from Holly Jones.

At this point in the Task Force's investigation, it was determined that a warrant to search Mr. Briere's residence would be applied for, and that reasonable and probable grounds existed to arrest Michael Briere for the murder of Holly Jones.

The arrest was to occur on the following day, pending which, 24 hour surveillance of Mr. Briere was commenced.

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On Friday, June 20, at 4:30 am., Det. Sgt. Comeau conducted a briefing for Task Force members, with respect to arresting and interviewing Mr. Briere, and executing a search warrant on his residence.

Mobile Support Services had provided the investigators with details of Mr. Briere's workday morning routine, and, accordingly, at 5:40 am., Det. Sgts Comeau and Perry were on scene at the Dundas W. subway station, awaiting Mr. Briere's arrival.

At 5:55 am., Mr. Briere appeared, and was arrested, by Det. Sgt. Comeau, for the murder of Holly Jones.

Mr. Briere was handcuffed to the rear, and placed in the rear seat of the officers' vehicle, for transport to 12 Division.

Once inside the police vehicle, Det. Sgt. Comeau activated an audio recorder, which remained on throughout the period until their arrival at 12 Division.

At the outset of the recording, Mr. Briere was advised

- i. that he was under arrest for the murder of Holly Jones
- ii. that he had the right to retain and instruct counsel without delay, and to contact any lawyer he wished, including obtaining free advice from legal aid duty counsel

- iii. that he did not have to say anything unless he wished to do so, and that whatever he said would be taken down, and could be used in evidence.

At 6:00 am., Det. Sgts. Comeau and Perry, and Mr. Briere left the scene of the arrest. They drove to 12 Division, arriving ten minutes later, and without any conversation having taken place between the parties, in the interim.

Upon arrival, Mr. Briere was booked into the station, and, at 6:28 am., he was placed into an interview room in the CIB office.

At 7:25 am., as he had requested, Mr. Briere had a private telephone conversation with a duty counsel, which lasted for 15 minutes.

Det. Sgt. Comeau had become occupied with completing the search warrant application for Mr. Briere's residence, and so, at 9:52 am., accompanied by Insp. Brian Raybould, Det. Sgt. Perry entered the interview room.

A conversation with Mr. Briere ensued, during which Det. Sgt. Perry told Mr. Briere that

- things had changed since their interview of June 6
- the investigators now had more information

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- more particularly, they knew that his DNA was on Holly's body

When Mr. Briere responded that that was "ridiculous", Det. Sgt. Perry reviewed the DNA evidence with him, telling him that

- foreign DNA had been found on Holly's body
- samples of his DNA had been obtained from a discarded pop can, and a drinking straw
- the DNA found on Holly's body matched his discarded DNA samples
- the investigators thus knew who was responsible for Holly's murder

Mr. Briere was then asked if he would assist the investigators in recovering Holly's legs, in order to help the family give Holly a proper burial.

Mr. Briere was silent, for about 1 minute, with tears in his eyes, and his head down. He then looked up, and said

'you can't find them - I put them in the garbage'

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When Det. Sgt. Perry asked : 'what garbage", Mr. Briere responded

- in front of my house
- it was picked up on Wednesday morning
- you guys were too late searching
- they were too long - I cut them up

At that point, Det. Sgt. Perry interrupted Mr. Briere, and asked if he would be willing to provide a video taped statement.

Mr. Briere agreed.

At 10:37 am, Mr. Briere was escorted into an interview suite which contained video recording equipment. At 10:42 am, a video recorded interview with Mr. Briere was commenced, during the course of which Det. Sgt. Perry was the primary questioner, while Insp. Raybould made back up notes.

At the outset, Mr. Briere was once again advised

- of his arrest for the first degree murder of Holly Jones

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- of his right to retain and instruct counsel without delay,
and to contact any lawyer he wished, or to obtain free advice
from a legal aid lawyer
- and - that he was not obliged to say anything in answer to the
charge, but that what he did say would be taken down, and
could be used in evidence.

Mr. Briere indicated that

- he did not wish to call a lawyer at that time
- he understood his rights
- he did not mind telling them everything that happened
and that
- he would try to describe what happened

Over a subsequent period of approximately 3 hours and 15 minutes, from
10:42 am. until 12:50 pm., and then again from 3:05 pm. until 4:12 pm.,
Michael Briere confessed to having abducted and murdered Holly Jones.

He did so in great detail.

During the initial moments of the interview, in what was essentially a monologue, Mr. Briere explained the circumstances of Holly's death, a description which was, thereafter, clarified and added to, by questions from the officers.

The following is a compilation of information which Mr. Briere provided to Det. Sgt. Perry and Insp. Raybould, in his initial remarks, and as amplified thereafter.

These words were not spoken entirely in the precise chronological order in which they are being repeated.

These are, however, the essential facts of what happened to Holly Jones, according to Mr. Briere - a terrible tragedy, in every sense of the word - every parents' nightmare, writ large.

And yet they are facts which describe the act of a man with no known previous history of such aberrant misconduct - a man without a criminal record, and whose name would not have been found amongst the approximately 269 registered sex offenders, listed in the Sexual Offender Registry as having been living within a three kilometre radius of Holly's residence - a man so seemingly ordinary and nondescript as to have gone essentially unnoticed, both before and immediately after he committed his horrendous crime - a man whom, as the Court has heard, was ultimately brought to justice as the result of the intensive and outstanding efforts of dedicated police investigators and forensic scientists.

On the 12th ... I always had the fantasy of having sexual relations with a little girl. So I just got carried away, and I walked outside, and Holly was ... I didn't know her, I'd never seen her before ... it's just coincidence ...

if she wouldn't have been on the street corner, I probably would have just walked the street and just gone back home. But she was there, and there was nobody around ...

You have Perth, and at the corner, there is a little restaurant or store ... and as you are walking north towards the next street ... behind the first buildings is a lane way ... I probably saw her 20 or 30 feet from there ...

(She was walking) towards her home ... south towards Bloor ...

So I passed her for maybe ten steps, and looked around to see if anyone was on the street, and I didn't see anyone ...

I just came back, walking very quickly. I quickened the pace, and still didn't see anyone, and as soon as I got right next to her, I grabbed her by the neck when I say, by the neck, it's not like I was grabbing her by the throat, so if, anybody were to come and notice it, it could have been a father scolding a child who had done something bad ...

She didn't scream. She was in total shock, and I just started with her, holding her by the neck, towards my home. At that point, there was ... a lane, right behind my house, and this occurred, I would say, maybe twenty feet behind that.

So I went through the lane, through the narrow passage between my house and the house next door, and up the front steps, and inside the house, to my apartment, to the first floor, with her.

While we were walking, she tried to scream just a little bit, and I put my hand over her mouth

I went inside the apartment, locked the doors behind. I took her to the bedroom, undressed her, undressed myself.

I tried to have sexual relations with her ...
I never actually completed the act. I tried,
and at one point my heart was beating so fast ...

I will say that, for what I tried to do, I was not
very forceful, and that she was not in pain ...

I was just so nervous, and in my mind, it's just
like - no way she goes away ... I assumed that
a little kid walking like that lived in the
neighbourhood. I didn't know where she lived,
but I was sure she lived pretty close.

So, I let her go - you know that's going to lead
the police to my place. So I strangled her on my
bed with my hands around the neck ...

I never hit her. I didn't punch her. I didn't
slap her, or anything ...

I think I left my house maybe just a little bit
before six, ten to six, five to six ... and she was
right there.

So I would say she was probably gone 25 minutes
after, say around 6:25-6:30 ...

And after that ... I put her inside my fridge ...
I don't know how fast a body goes. But I
don't want that smell to go, because then
the neighbours will be able to smell it. So
that is why I wanted to put the body in the
fridge, so it would stay cool, and not degrade
too fast.

So I walked over to the fridge, and removed
all the parts of the fridge, so that I would just
have enough room to put the body inside ...
which I did ... and then I closed the door of the
fridge, and made it sound like I was leaving
the apartment.

But I came back a few minutes later, just to see,
because at this point, I didn't know really if she
was gone, or if she had just passed unconscious.

I really didn't know, and I was so nervous, and
for the time that I had pretended to be out ...
in my mind it was like - at this point, if she was
still there ... she probably would have tried to
at least exit the fridge or something ... I have
never put myself in the fridge, but I am assuming
you just push on it, and they open these days.

So ... at that point, I kind of thought - OK, yeah
she's gone ...

I knew I had to dispose of everything ... when I
came back in the apartment and I saw her clothing
near my bed, I just went "well I gotta get rid of
this too, and this should be quick to get rid of".

So that is why I just went and took the clothes,
put them in a bag ... I took the subway, and I
went to Yonge and Bloor, and, on the southeast
corner of Yonge and Bloor, there is a little alleyway,
near the lottery place. They have a lottery place
where you can go and pick up your winnings ...

So there is an alleyway, there's actually stores
there, and there was an open garbage can ...
and I threw the clothing in there.

Then after that, I went to, I think it's a Harvey's
at the corner of the street, and they have some
newspapers there, that people can take and read
them. So I went to grab some newspapers, and I went
back to the garbage can, and put the newspapers
over the bag, so no one would see the bag, and wonder -
Oh, what is this stuff.

And I came back to my home, and then, at that point, I knew I had to dispose of her.

I had the large gym bag, in which the torso was found. And I tried to put her all inside the bag, and I couldn't, because she was just too big for it ... I don't have a vehicle ... and there is no way to carry around a little girl, and try to dispose of her body ... everyone is going to pick up on that ... because I didn't want to get caught ...

I hadn't figured any of this stuff out, and I realized that I had a saw ... in my tool box ... a small hand saw, basically ... and that's why ... I thought "well, I have to cut her up"

I did it right in the middle of the open space in my kitchen ... I ripped open some garbage bags beneath her. I knew there would be bleeding ...

So once I started doing it, then I did everything at once, because I just wanted it to be over with ...

So I ... cut her arms, her head, her legs, and I put them all in different bags, and garbage bags, and so on.

I thought I would get rid of the heaviest part first. So I went with the torso, and that's the one that was probably in one or two black garbage bags, and the Future Shop transparent bag.

I was able to put the torso in the big gym bag, and the other parts were inside the fridge ...

There was a little bit of blood that I had gotten over some pants or something, so I think I changed clothing ... Once everything was done, I took the bag, and I walked to the Landsdowne subway station, and I took the subway ...

When I was on the subway ... there was a lady sitting right in front of me, and there was, he looked like he was younger than I was, a young man ... and he was kind of sitting a little bit diagonal to me.

And at one point, I noticed his face really change ... you become quite aware of your surroundings when you are doing something like this, as I'm sure anyone can imagine ... and it really caught my eye.

And then, for some reason, I couldn't look where he was looking, and there was a drop of blood on the subway car, on the floor, that had dripped from the bag.

So I kind of put my foot over it ... just trying to pretend like nothing had happened. I moved the foot a little bit, to try to squish it, and not make it look as bad. And that person left ...

I think I got off at the St. George subway station ... When I got off I kind of looked at the seat, because ... if there was one drop of blood on the floor, then obviously you know then there was leakage ...

I noticed on the seat there that it seemed to be smudged with blood, but it's one of those ... TTC has various cars, and that one had the same kind of red velour seats - and it kind of mixed with the colours ... I knew what I was looking at, so for me, it was catching my eye. I don't know if it caught anybody else's eye ...

I got off a St. George, switched, and took the subway all the way to Union Station.

From Union Station, I got off, and I walked down to the water ... I walked down all the way to the edge of the water, and the bag was really heavy, and in my mind, I thought was going to sink. So I just dropped the bag in the water.

Then I went back home ... As I was walking to the Landsdowne subway station, I noticed one or two police cars passing by, and I'm assuming at that point they were searching for her ...

I knew that now police were really starting to look, and I didn't want to be walking around with a bag at night, and have somebody stop me.

So for that evening, I just went to bed, and the remainder of her was in the fridge ...

I just laid there, and I think that if I had half an hour of sleep that night, it's a miracle.

I just couldn't fall asleep, and your mind is racing so much when you do something like that, it's unbelievable ... even with time ...

I had the anxiety attacks all the way up to now, and it never leaves you ...

So the next morning came ... and I was assuming, of course, that people start looking around in the neighbourhood.

So in my mind, it was really important to dispose of ... what I still had ... so I went to the fridge, and I took the head and the arms, and put them into the smaller bag.

And then I felt the weight of the bag, and it didn't look too heavy. So I went under my bed, and I picked a weight ... I didn't even select the weight ... whatever I grabbed is what I picked, and I put it in the bag ...

I never tried to sink a body in the lake, so I don't know how much weight is required ... the weight kind of felt heavy, and I thought this probably should do it ...

And you know, it's kind of weird that you really don't think clear when you do these things, because I have way heavier weights than that, and I could have carried way heavier than that, and I ended up picking probably the least heavy weight that I have in the whole place ...

you don't really think straight when you are doing something like that, and you are just so nervous ...

I remember inspecting all the side pockets, to make sure that there was no pieces of paper with my name on it, or any receipts of any kind ...

Then after that, I had a shower, I got dressed, and I left. I went on Bloor Street towards Dundas.

I was going to take the subway to probably go back the same way, and then I thought "what if somebody has found the torso where I dropped it. It's not very smart to actually go back to the same place, and now try to drop something else".

Now I know I want to put the bag in the water. So I thought "I have to go near the water, but I don't want to go in the same area as where I dropped the first one".

I want to drop it somewhere else where people aren't going to be looking for that ... and I took the street car that goes down Dundas Street ... going towards downtown.

I took it, and I think it turns on King or Queen
... I think it's King. So the first stop that it turns
at, I stopped there. I used to live near that area,
so I knew the area ...

I wound my way all the way to the waterway, to
Lake Ontario. And there were some people around ...
naturally they are going to notice somebody dropping
off a bag. So I started walking more towards Ontario
Place ...

And I just crossed there, and I just waited until
there was really no one around me. And I just
dropped that bag in the water.

And at that point, it didn't really look like it
was going to sink. But I just thought ... "I can't
start messing around with the bag", because ...
there was still people, kind of far away, in the
horizon. So ... I just wanted to drop it, and go,
and whatever happens with the bag, happens
at that point ...

From that, then I went straight to work. I did not
come back home.

I ... went to work, and I think I must have looked like a ghost. I actually had a co-worker tell me that I look completely white. And I'm sure I looked like that. I was really shaken by it ...

That was the Tuesday. So that day, because there was a lot of stuff on the news, I thought "I took my chance with this one thing, and I'm not going to do anything else today ... in case people around me notice that I'm always coming out with big bags" ... So for that day, I didn't do anything.

So I still had her legs left in my fridge ... the next day was Wednesday ... So that day, I got to go to work on time, so there I kept my pattern. Woke up at five, left the house around six, got to work around seven, finished work around three, got home by four or four thirty ...

At that point, I just wanted to dispose of everything ... It was garbage day, and I thought "I will just put the legs in the garbage", and she's a little girl ... but she was still good size, and the legs were long and ... fairly heavy.

I took the legs from the fridge, and I saw how long the legs were. I took a garbage bag and put the garbage bag next to the leg, to judge how the leg fills up pretty much the whole garbage bag, if I leave it as it is ...

And I thought "if I just put this like this in a garbage bag, then whoever picks up the garbage probably would feel like there is something there - especially with the news media - and might wonder" ... so that's why ... I have to break it down some more. So that they can pick up the garbage bags, and really not know what is in the garbage bag ...

So I actually forced myself to make the legs into smaller pieces. I think I probably cut them up in four or five pieces, put them each in their own bag, and then separated them over three garbage bags, two or three garbage bags ...

And then I just put the garbage out in front with the rest. And I remember going, maybe every ten or fifteen minutes, and trying to peek out through the window, to see if anybody was going to go and try to look at those garbage bags.

And I couldn't fall asleep, and I stayed up until about three or four o'clock in the morning, until the garbage truck finally came, and picked them up ...

And then, that was that.

According to Mr. Briere , he killed Holly not because he enjoyed doing so, and achieved some thrill from the act, but rather because he did not want to get caught for having abducted and assaulted her.

In response to the question:

"When did you make up your mind you were going to kill her?",

he said

Probably when I was walking her to my place. I think at that point, I realized it's already too late.

Already at that point, I didn't want to get caught, and I already just would grab her, and try to make her enter my home. If I am going to get inside the apartment, she is not coming out ...

Mr. Briere additionally gave the officers some further details of information about the aftermath of Holly's murder:

- i. He cleaned up his apartment, by using the 'J' cloths and the sponge mop, which had been found in the bags , containing the body parts, and the cleaning products, which had been observed, in his kitchen, by the police.
- ii. He did not miss a day of work, subsequent to the incident, and he told no one about what he had done.
- iii. He described his disposal of the saw, with which he had dismembered the body,

.... I threw that away in the garbage too. That one I did on a separate trip. I didn't want to dispose of all the evidence in the same place, because you keep going back to the same place, and people are bound to notice.

So I actually went downtown and I dropped it off ... there was a box with some garbage.

I put the saw in a plastic bag ... and tucked it in my pants. And I had my leather jacket covered up, so when I walked outside, it looked like I was walking out with nothing in my hands.

I went, I guess it's near the garbage ... it's CITY TV near, near that building, but behind it, maybe one or two streets ... that was during the first week where she disappeared, I did that ...

- v. He explained that he had also disposed of other items which were associated with the clean up after the murder, including bloodied carpeting from his kitchen, which he cut up; a nylon jacket he had been wearing; a bucket, into which he had mopped blood, and which he broke into pieces; and the green bath mats and shower curtain from his bathroom.

He put these items into a backpack, and then took the backpack, via public transit, to an apartment building in which he had formerly lived, located on Broadway Avenue, northeast of the intersection of Eglinton Avenue and Yonge Street.

He no longer had a key, but, being familiar with the building, he was able to gain entry, by following a resident in through the front door.

He also knew that there were garbage chutes on each floor, into one of which he emptied the contents of the backpack.

v. He indicated that, even as late as that very day, June 20, he had, in the lap top case he had been carrying at the time of his arrest, items associated to the murder, including a running shoe and a shirt, which he wanted to dispose of, in his continuing effort to avoid detection and apprehension.

vi. He also advised that

- the shoes which he was then wearing, were the shoes he had been wearing during the incident on May 12. (Needless to say, the shoes were subsequently seized by officers of the Forensic Identification Service)

- there was an area of staining on the mattress in his bedroom, on which he had assaulted and strangled Holly, which would be Holly's blood.

In addition to discussing the circumstances of Holly Jones' murder, Mr. Briere also provided Det. Sgt. Perry and Insp. Raybould with some details about his personal life, and about what had precipitated the tragic events of May 12, including that:

- i. He had had fantasies about young girls "probably forever ... for me, this concept of having relationships with a child has been there forever ... it's always been part of my life".
- ii. He denied ever having had sexual involvement with any other children, but acknowledged that he had downloaded child pornography material from sites on the Internet, both at home, and at his work place.

About what he described as his "dark secret", he said:

The simplicity of getting material ... it's close to mind boggling. For me, I have never understood how come the whole thing wasn't shut down, just because of the nature of it.

You search for the word 'baby', and it will find stuff there ... it's easy ... you don't need a degree ...

With time, and I don't know how it is for other people, but for myself, I would say that, yes, viewing the material does motivate you to do other things.

In my case, for sure. The more I saw it, the more I longed for it in my heart. The more I wanted it. And that's the one time where I actually tried to do it ...

- iii. He had been thinking about actually finding a young girl, and taking her off the street, for "maybe a year or two".

However, he did not do anything in advance to prepare for what he did on the evening of May 12. He did not surveil the area in the vicinity of his residence, nor make any other effort to locate and select any particular child.

He also confirmed that he had never before seen Holly, had never spoken to her via the Internet, never knew she existed.

I didn't pick her for any special reason ... it's not like I was pinpointing this little girl ...

... that night, I must have viewed some material beforehand. And I just got excited, and just went "I need to go out and see if I" ...

I just went out. I really wanted to do it. Not the ... disposing of her ... not the killing part. But I really wanted to have sex with a child. And that was all consuming

I just came out of my place, and was overwhelmed with desire, and she was just there, and there was nobody around. That's all it took ... I was just in that frame of mind, and it was easy ...

I don't hang around schools or playgrounds, or any of that stuff ... that's not to say I didn't have the desire for children. But I'm not a stalker, or anything like that.

For that one night though, I was ...

- iv. About what happened in his bedroom, he also said:

I was trying not to frighten her in the extreme, showing one way that she would stay calm.

And at the same time, it's not like I'm an animal here.

This stuff is really affecting me too ... I have the desire, but at the same time, my heart was beating faster than hers, because I was kind of on top of her, and I could feel her, and I could feel myself in my chest ...

One of these things ... you kind of think about doing something like that, for quite a while, and then you doing it, and it's completely opposite ...

I have had the desire to have sexual relationship with a young child for the longest time, and you think it's going to be a pleasurable experience.

And that one just turned out to be a nightmare of an experience, and I'm saying this in context. I understand that the whole thing is sickening to 99.9 per cent of the people ... I say it, understanding that, but it was a nightmare ...

There is nothing good about it ...

And I never touched her in any sexual way, after I killed her. I didn't even touch any of the area. Because at that point, for all of my weaknesses, that is certainly not something that would ever ... for me, it was like 'no'. At that point, I just wanted to get rid of the body ...

At one point during the interview, Mr. Briere used a map, which had been placed on a wall of the room, to trace the routes he had taken, when traveling to the several locations at which he had dropped off Holly's dismembered body parts, and the other items associated to the murder.

He also indicated that he would be willing to take the investigators to each of these sites, and to show them exactly where he had deposited the various items.

This he did do, later that same evening, Friday, June 20.

Transported in an unmarked non-police vehicle, with tinted windows, Mr. Briere directed the several senior Task Force members who were accompanying him to the five drop locations he had spoken of during his interview:

1. Toronto Harbour - at the foot of Bay Street, behind the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel, at the water's edge, near the Island Ferry Docks (Holly's torso)

2. Lake Ontario, near the Argonaut Rowing Club, and opposite the large windmill, on the CNE grounds (Holly's head/arms)
3. Pearl Street, just east of John Street, and south of CITY TV (the saw used to dismember Holly)
4. A garbage bin, in a lane way (Roy's Lane), just south of Bloor Street, and east of Yonge Street (Holly's clothing)
5. A garbage chute, on the fifth floor of the apartment building on Broadway Ave (Yonge/Eglinton) (kitchen carpet, pieces of a bucket, a jacket, bathroom mats and shower curtain).

Following the arrest of Michael Briere, a Criminal Code Search Warrant was executed upon his residence at 1450 Bloor Street West.

The premises were intensively examined by Det. Robert Murdock and Det. Const. Frank Ottewell, of the Forensic Identification Service, with the assistance of Alexandra Welsh, and Johanne Almer, from the Centre of Forensic Sciences. Numerous exhibit items and biological samples were collected.

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Subsequently, Ms Welsh was able to report that a DNA profile, matching that of Holly Jones, was identified in blood staining detected on

- i. one of the shoes which Mr. Briere was wearing at the time of his arrest
 - ii. the wall between the kitchen and the living room of Mr. Briere's residence
 - iii. a sofa, located in Mr. Briere's living room
 - iv. the refrigerator in Mr. Briere's kitchen
 - v. floor tiles in Mr. Briere's kitchen
- and on
- vi. Mr. Briere's bedroom mattress .

Ms Welsh indicated that the probability that a randomly selected individual, unrelated to Holly Jones, would coincidentally share the observed DNA profile was estimated to be 1 in 68 billion.